

Please add the following claims 21-30:

--21. (New) A process for treating a textile fabric to enhance at least one property of the fabric comprising:

treating the fabric with an aqueous formaldehyde solution and catalyst for catalyzing a reaction between formaldehyde and the fabric; and

introducing said fabric into an air circulating oven having an elevated temperature of at least about 300°F to subject the treated fabric directly to the elevated temperature for reaction of the formaldehyde with the fabric to enhance the property of the fabric; wherein the fabric is unresinated.--

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--22. (New) A process according to claim 21, wherein the amount of formaldehyde on the fabric is from 0.56% to 7.4%, on weight of fabric.--

--23. (New) A process according to claim 21, wherein the amount of formaldehyde on the fabric is from 0.56% to 2.59%, on weight of fabric.--

--24. (New) A process according to claim 21, wherein the amount of formaldehyde on the fabric is from 5.55% to 6.66%, on weight of fabric.--

--25. (New) A process according to claim 21, wherein the composition comprises sufficient formaldehyde such that the amount of a 37%, by weight, formaldehyde solution on the fabric is from 1.5% to 20%, on weight of fabric.--

--26. (New) A process according to claim 21, wherein the fabric is provided with a silicone elastomer.--

--27. (New) A process according to claim 21, wherein the aqueous formaldehyde solution further comprises an elastomeric silicone emulsion.--

--28. (New) A process for treating a fabric, comprising:

- (a) introducing a fabric into an aqueous solution comprising formaldehyde;
- (b) applying to the fabric an effective amount of a catalyst for catalyzing a reaction between formaldehyde and the fabric; and
- (c) heat curing the fabric under conditions at which the formaldehyde reacts with the fabric;

wherein the fabric is unresinated and comprises protein fibers.--

--29. (New) A process according to claim 28, wherein the fabric is provided with a silicone elastomer.--

--30. (New) A process according to claim 28, wherein the aqueous formaldehyde solution comprises sufficient formaldehyde such that the amount of a 37%, by weight, formaldehyde solution on the fabric is from 1.5% to 20%, on weight of fabric.--